

The Honorable Carl Levin
United States Senate
Federal Building
Suite 720
110 Michigan Avenue, N.W.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Dear Senator Levin:

Thank you for your May 10, 2013, letter regarding your concerns about the Allied Paper Landfill portion of the Allied Paper/Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

As you know, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is evaluating a variety of cleanup alternatives for this site. On May 16, 2013, EPA will be meeting with the City of Kalamazoo and its bid contractor to obtain a better understanding of the assumptions behind the contractor's bid of \$120 million for total removal of the landfill and PCB material at the site.

EPA is confident that when a remedy is selected it will address all current and future threats from site contamination and will protect human health and the environment.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact Richard Karl, Superfund Division Director, at (312) 353-9773.

Sincerely,

Susan Hedman
Regional Administrator